Telecommunication Instruments in Delhi

4176. DR. C. SILVERA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Mahanagar Telefone Nigam Limited provide various communication instruments like TELEX, FAX, ISD and STD at private premises in Delhi;

(b) if so, the formalities to be undertaken and the charges to be deposited at the time of installation and afterwards,

(c) whether these instruments are provided within some time schedule;

(d) if so, the details thereof, and

(e) if not, the steps proposed to be taken in this regard?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) Sir, Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited is providing only Telex machines at private premises in Delhi. However, this is optional and a party can have his own machine from approved models if he so desires. As far FAX machines, these are not being provided by Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited, Delhi.

STD/ISD facilities at private premises are franchised by the MTNL. The subscriber has to provide the type approve STD/ISD payphones which are either coin operated/ card operated or these could be with STD charge indicators.

(b) In respect of Telex, in case the machine is provided by Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited, the charges to be deposited at the time of installation are as under:-

a.	Application fee	Rs. 25.00
b.	Security Deposit	Rs.10,000.00
c.	Wire rent per annum (for one year initially)	Rs. ,000.00
d.	Machine rent per annum (for one year initially)	Rs.8,000.00
(e)	Installation charges (machine only)	Rs. 800.00

Charges against (d) not levied in case the subscriber arranges has own telex machine.

In addition to the above, call charges are levied as per prescribed tariff.

For FAX service, the subscriber has to arrange for his own machine. He has also to apply for permission to use FAX machine on his working number which should be one of approved make A licence fee of Rs. 3000.00 for private use and Rs. 15000.00 for commercial use is levied for FAX.

(c) to (e). Th FAX machine provided by the subscriber is installed immediately after all the formalities including payment of licence fee etc. are completed by him. However, as for telex connections, these are provided within FOUR to SIX weeks f the application by the subscriber subject to feasibility and availability.

Regarding STD/ISD pay phones these are provided by the subscriber.

Public Call Offices in Delhi

4177. DR. C. SILVERA: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether some criteria exist for provision of departmental and non-departmental public call offices in Delhi; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI P.V. RANGAYYA NAIDU): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. Departmental Public Call Offices are generally opened in Central Telegraph Offices/Departmental Telegraph Offices. We have liberalised installation of both local and STD pay phones. These are allotted to individuals. They have to make an application to their Area Managers/ Area General Managers in a prescribed application form. After the pay phone is allotted they have to give a security deposit of Rs. 9600 and have to give a gurantee i.e. the minimum revenue per public telephone would be Rs. 1600/- in case of STD PCS, Rs. 300/- in case of a local PCO and Rs. 100/- in case of a local PCO and Rs. 100/ in case of local PCO managed by a handicapped person. Detailed instructions in this regard were issued in the months of September 1991 and December 1991.

[*Translation*]

Generation of Solar Power

4178. SHRI VISHWANATH SHASTRI: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have formulated any scheme for the generation of solar power in the villages of Uttar Pradesh; and

(b) if so, the number of villages included in the said scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b). Small solar photovoltaic power plants are being installed in unelectrified villages/hamlets as part of the solar photovoltaic demonstration and utilisation programme. Such plants have been installed in 23 villages of Uttar Pradesh; plants in 15 more villages are under installation.

[*English*]

Identification of Tourists Spots

4179. SHRI V. SREENIVASA PRASAD:
SHRI VIJAY NAVAL PATIL:
SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES:
SHRI BRAHMANAND MANDAL:
SHRI M.V. CHANDRASEKHARA MURHY:
SHRI GOPI NATH GAJAPATHI:
SHRI AMAL DATTA:

Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are cosindering various schemes for the promotion of tourism;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the details of the new tourists spots identified during the last one year; and

(d) the steps proposed to be taken to boost the tourism in the country?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) to (d). Promotion of tourism as well as steps for boosting tourism is a continuous exercise. Schemes in this regard include strengthening and augmentation of tourism infrastructure, effective publicity both in the country as well as koy markets overseas.

Fifteen circuits-cum-destinations have been identified for development of tourism in